



ST. PATRICK'S CATHOLIC CHURCH

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TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

25th August 2024 AD

Year B (Psalter Week 1)

Welcome to St Patrick's Church. The Church is a collection of human beings who, in communion with one another, form the Body of Christ here on earth. Jesus lives within His Church and in loving one another we love Him. Sometimes the teachings of Jesus can appear to be challenging, especially to the secular world, but we—the Body of Christ—know that He has the message of eternal life and there is no one else to whom we wish to go. We show our love for Christ in our service of His Church, reaching out Jesus' hands to bless His creations.

First Reading: Joshua 24:1-2, 15-18—*We will serve the Lord, for He is our God*

Responsorial Psalm: **Taste and see that the Lord is good.** (Psalm 33)

Second Reading: Ephesians 5:21-32—*This mystery has many implications for Christ and His Church*

Gospel Acclamation: **Alleluia, alleluia! Your words are spirit, Lord, and they are life: You have the message of eternal life. Alleluia!** (John 6:63,68)

Gospel Reading: John 6:60-69 — *Whom shall we go to? You have the message of eternal life*

Communion Antiphon: **The earth is replete with the fruits of Your work, O Lord; You bring forth bread from the earth and wine to cheer the heart.** (cf Psalm 103:13-15)

Day	Time	Service	Intention
Sunday 25th August TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME	9:00am 10:00am 10:30am	Mass at St Thomas's, Emsworth Reconciliation (Confession) SUNG MASS	Mrs N Rigano (health)
Tuesday 27th August St Monica	10:00am	Rosary Group	
Wednesday 28th August St Augustine of Hippo, bishop & doctor	10:30am 11:00am 11:45am	Mass Burial of Ashes Burial of Ashes	Janet Lynch Tina Margaret Pullen RIP William Hartley RIP
Thursday 29th August The Passion of St John-the-Baptist	10:00am 10:30am	Adoration Mass	'C' (health)
Friday 30th August Feria	10:00am	Mass at Joseph's, Havant	
Saturday 31st August	5:00pm	Mass at St Thomas's, Emsworth	
Sunday 1st September TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME	10:00am 10:30am	Reconciliation (Confession) SUNG MASS	Jean Rosser

Prayers For The Sick: Wendy Field, Mary Webb, Joan Ramsbottom, Patricia Church, Paul Kessell-Holland, Lizann De Souza, Bill McGill, Ben Lewis, Maureen Cronin, Gerard Cronin, John Nowaczewski, Liam Brice, Gilly Webster, Lily Jones, Charles Quaid, Peter van der Merwe, Johnny Veitch, Rita Mead, Mick O'Mahoney, David Miles, Pauline Green, Dominic Cosgrave.

Of your charity, please pray for the repose of the souls of those recently departed:
Tina Margaret Pullen, Alan Marston

And those whose Anniversaries occur at this time:
William Humphrey (Tue) Kathleen Williams (thu) Josephine Saint (Sat)

PLEASE JOIN US IN THE PARISH HALL FOR TEA AND COFFEE AFTER MASS.
This is a time to gather and share fellowship with the family of God.

NOTICES:

Tea/Coffee after Mass - is part of Parish life, always enjoyed by the 'regulars' and visitors alike. But we would be very grateful for more volunteers to come forward to help us provide this each week. Nobody is asked to do it alone, please give it a thought and get together with a couple of others.

Jesus Said, "Let the children come to me and do not hinder them, for to such as these belongs the kingdom of heaven." (Matthew 19:14) Children's Liturgy (Sunday School). Every Sunday during Term Time, we have a group of leaders who help children learn the Catholic Christian faith. We also have an area in Church for those with very young children. Therefore, please tell your family, your friends and your neighbours that this is a "family Church", a "child friendly" congregation and that there is a place for them here at St Patrick's.

The St Patrick's Quarterly is a new "parish magazine" kindly being put together and edited by Gerry Holden. This will contain news about what is going on in the Pastoral Area or around Hayling Island. If you have an article to submit or an event you would like advertised, please note that **4:00pm on Sunday 25th August** is the **deadline** for all copy for this issue. Please send in a word document (250 words max) to gerryholden1000@gmail.com

Catholic Women's League - The CWL are taking a break during August, although we will continue to take our turn in serving tea/coffee in the Hall after Mass. Thank you all for your continued support which enables us to give donations to children's charities, women's refuge, care of the homeless and overseas aid (*Cafod, Aid to the Church in Need* and *Reaching the Unreached*), PACT - Prison Advice and Care Trust as well as local Hayling Charities (Holiday Lunches, Voluntary Services and the Donkey Sanctuary) - Where would Jesus have been without a donkey?! If there are any new ladies in the Parish (or not so new parishioners who find they have a bit more time on their hands) who would like to know more about the CWL, please have a look at the website (catholicwomensleaguocio.org.uk) and give a thought to joining us. We shall be commemorating our Diamond Jubilee in November - 60 years of the CWL at St Patrick's! Contact Pauline for more info on: 023 9246 8498, e-mail: paulinebrice979@gmail.com

Repository - Short of a card for a birthday or other occasion? - Have a browse at all that is on offer at the back of the Church, also small gifts and remember the 'crosses in pockets'. At just £1 each these hand-stitched items continue to be very popular for putting in with a card for a friend/relative. The CWL organise and manage the Repository, so as above all proceeds go to CWL charities.

Hayling Holiday Lunches—Our next Collection will be on **Sunday 8th September** (2nd Sunday in month)

New Lectionary Explained

Starting in Advent 2024 the new lectionary will come into effect. The parish will need to spend roughly £1,500 and any donations toward this would be most helpful. Lectionaries for personal use will also change. These can be bought from the Catholic Truth Society bookshop either in person or online www.ctsbooks.org. There is a leaflet available at the back of Church with more information.

A note from Pauline

I should like to thank you all for your prayers for Liam when he was taken ill back in the middle of May, it seems a long time ago now and between QA and Petersfield he was in hospital for 10 weeks, but thankfully he is still with us. I am convinced the prayers saved him, the first weekend he was in QA I don't think the medical staff held out much hope, but God knew better. Life is a little different but it is lovely to have him home, and he remains cheerful. He gets stronger every day and is having physio at home from the Community physio team. He had very good care throughout his stay in hospital, and the visits from the QA chaplaincy team of Fr Andrew from Cosham, Deacon Kim from Bordon and Fr James were much appreciated as were the visits from Fr Mark, not that Liam remembers anything of the first 2 weeks when he was so ill. When he was transferred to Petersfield Fr Peter Hollins, from St Laurence's Church visited him also and gave him Communion, so he was very well cared for.

Thank you all.

Gilly Webster is still in QA but is now medically stable. She has an assessment on Tuesday to sort out her needs for a care home called Wellington Grange in Chichester. 01243 755200. Hopefully she will be there by midweek and we think she will need at least 2-4 weeks there to regain her strength to get back home. Please pass on this info to anyone who may be interested. Visitors at the Grange are welcomed.

Church Hall Should you wish to book the Church Hall please telephone Denzil on 07791 776148